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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMA ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER Form PTO-1390 (REV 10-97) 020399-000100US TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/GB99/04425 24/12/1998 24/12/1999 TITLE OF INVENTION A PTFE TUBE APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Whitworth, Andrew John; Whitworth, Dorothy; Hollingworth, Helen; and Lockwood, Maura Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 1. M 2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). 4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. \boxtimes A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) ţĢ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). ľħ has been transmitted by the International Bureau. (0 ..[is not required, as the application was filed in the United States receiving Office (RO/US) 6. A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). Amendments as to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) ٠D are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). | L have been transmitted by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. . have not been made and will not be made. 8. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. 冈 An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). UNEXECUTED 10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)Items 11. to 16. below, concern document(s) or information included: \bowtie An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. \boxtimes A FIRST preliminary amendment. 13. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. A substitute specification. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 15. 16. M Other items or information: A copy of Written Opinion and Search Report

RNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. 020399-000100US PCT/GB99/04425 17. The following fees are submitted: CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5)): Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO 840.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) 670.00 No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2) 760.00 Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) nor international search fee (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2) paid to USPTO 970.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) 96.00 ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = \$ 840 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than \(\sum 20 \subseteq 30 \) months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). CLAIMS NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA **RATE Total Claims** 20-20= 0 x \$18.00 \$ x \$80.00 \$ Independent Claims 3-3= 0 MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$260.00 \$ 260 **TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =** \$ 1100 ľÔ Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be filed (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). 1. \$ 1100 SUBTOTAL = Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than \(\sum 20 \subseteq 30 \) months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(f)). \$ 1100 **TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =** Lee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property + J TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = \$ 1100 Amount to be refunded: \$ 1100 charged A check in the amount of <u>\$</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed. a. 🔲 Please charge my Deposit Account No. 20-1430 in the amount of \$\sum_{1100}\$ to cover the above fees. ь. 🛛 c. 🛛 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: SIGNATURE Darin J. Gibby, Esq. NAME: Darin J. Gibby Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP Two Embarcadero Center, 8th Floor 38,464 San Francisco, CA 94111 (303) 571-4000 REGISTRATION NUMBER

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- 2. Copy of Published PCT Application
- 3. Unexecuted Declaration
- 4. Information Disclosure Statement
- 5. Preliminary Amendment
- 6. Copy of Written Opinion
- 7. Copy of International Search Report

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